GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

LEADING TOPICS IN MANY LANDS.

THE CITY OF CHUSTER AT HALIFAX-THE DEATH OF PRINCE GORISCHAKOFF-OCIALISM AND NIHIL-ISM-THE OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE BOAT RACE,

The disabled steamship City of Chester has been towed to Halifax by the steamer Missouri, of the Warren Line. The Missouri was met soon after the Suevia left the City of Chester. The hawser broke twice on the way to Halifax, but aside from this the voyage was devoid of exciting incidents. News has been received from the ste mship Gardenia, also disabled, which left Newcastle, England, for New-York on January 22. Owing to the suspicion that Prince Gortschakoff was poisoned, his body will be examined. Eighty-four persons were arrested in Paris as a result of the Socialistic disorders. The arrests of Anarchists in Andalusia, Spain, number 1,200. The betting on the Oxford-Cambridge boat race, to be rowed next Thursday, was 3 to 1 on Cambridge last evening.

THE CITY OF CHESTER SAFE AT HALIFAX. SHE MEETS THE STEAMER MISSOURI AND IS TOWED TO PORT-THE CAPTAIN'S ACCOUNT-THE PAS-SENGERS ANXIOUS FOR A TIME.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 12 .- About noon to-day two large steamers were observed some distance off the harbor making slow headway toward this port. At once it was surmised that the disabled Inman steamer City of Chester had luckily been met by another steamer and was being towed safely to Hahfax. It was several hours, however, before the supposition could be verified, the two vessels being at such a distance from the Sambro outward signal station that their names could not be made out with the most powerful telescope, but about 3 o'clock the telegraph operator at Sambro reported that the disabled steamer was the Inman Line vessel, and the good news was at once telegraphed over the continent. A half hour later the name of the steamer baving her in charge was made out to Position.
Bow-R. C. Gridley, Third Trinity. be the Missouri, of the Warren Line.

Upon the news of the two ships being off the harbor becoming known in the city, tugs at once put out to see if additional assistance was required to bring the disabled steamer into port, but owing to the tremendous sea running outside, the small craft found it dangerous to proceed further than the mouth of the bay. The crippled ship and her companion made slow headway toward the city, and it was after 5 o'clock before the two came to anchor off the whatves. As the vessels steamed -up the stream crowds of curious people assembled on the wharves to witness the sight. As they proceeded up the harbor they were boarded by reporters, and from the Captain and passengers the particulars of the accident and the falling in with

the Missouri were obtained. CAPTAIN WATKINS'S STORY.

Captain F. Watkins, of the City of Chester, reports sailing from New-York on March 3 and passing Sandy Hook a few minutes before 2 o'clock of the same afternoon, with fair weather. The vessel made good progress, steaming fifteen knots an hour. All went well until 1:05 on the following Monday afternoon, the steamer then being 660 miles from Sandy Hook, when suddenly the engines raced away, and on examination the screw shaft was found to be broken. Sail was at once put on and the ship proceeded, keeping in the track of steamers, so that if one should be spoken assistance could be obtained. At 2:30 on Tuesday morning a steamer was sighted, which, upon being signalled, proved to be the Suevia. The latter came within hailing distance and laid by the disabled ship until 9:30 a. m., when she took her in tow. The captain of the Suevia desired to head for New-York and Captain Watkins assenting to the proposition, the two vessels proceeded for a few hours, after which, however, the Suevia signalled that her coal supply was cetting short and that she would head for Halifax. They then agreed to make for this port, and the course of the steamers was changed in this direction. At about balf-past 6 on the morning of the 7th one of the two ropes connecting the ships suddenly parted. The captain of the Suevia then signalled that he must proceed for of the Suevia then signaled that he made proceedings. Rew-York alone. It was blowing heavily, and Captain Watkins requested him to lay by the City of Chester until the weather moderated, as he wished to be towed back in the track of steamers, but the Suevia replied that she was in want of coal, and steamed on her way without rendering any

THE SURVIA REPLACED BY THE MISSOURI. Sail was put on again, and the City of Chester continued toward Hahfax. At 6 a. m. on the 10th a steamer bound outward was signalled. and, upon her bearing down, proved to b the Missouri. Tow ropes were adjusted and the two steamers headed for Halifax. Between 11 and 12 o'clock Saturday night the hawser parced, but the ships were again connected, and good progress was made toward this port. On Sunday the wind blew very heavily, but no furprogress was male toward this porton Sunday the wind blew very heavily, but no further accident happened until 10 a.m. to-day, as the ships were making Sambro, when the line parted a second time, causing a further delay of several hours. The City of Chester was again got in tow, and was brought into port without further mishap. Third Officer Crichton, of the Miscouri, just before the first accident was standing beside the Iron bitt to which the hawser was attached, feeling the strain with his foot. Then he entered the wheelhouse, and immediately afterward the bitt broke in halves. One piece struck the wheelhouse with great force and made quite a dent in its side; the other, weighing 150 pounds, flew from the starboard to the port side of the ship, right over the wheelhouse, damaging the port side of the latter and carrying away a part of the quarter rail.

A TALK WITH A PASSENGER.

A TALK WITH A PASSENGER. One of the passengers on the City of Chester, in a conversation with a reporter this evening, stated that considerable anxiety was exhibited by his companious after the ship was left by the Suevia, as she was in a much worse position than when first picked up. Sable Island, with its many dangerous shouls running out for miles in every direction, lay some eighty miles to leeward of the steamer, and a good southerly breeze was blowing toward this dreaded spot. The steamer was drifting at the rate of two and one-half or three miles an hour. For fourteen hours this continued, when the wind fortunately changed to the west, and the fears of the passengers subsided. Throughout the rest of the time all on board maintained good spirits, placing full confidence in Captain Watkins and his officers. The mails and passengers of the City of Chester will probably be forwarded to their destination by the Alian Line mail steamer feaving here Saturday.

NEWS FROM A DISABLED STEAMER. LONDON, A arch 12 .- The British ship Wiltshire, at Queenstown from San Francisco, reports that she fell in with the British steamer Gardenia, in distress, and towed her until February 21, when, in latitude 39° north, longitude 20° west, she was obliged to abandon her, the wind being adverse. The Gardenia, which left Newcastle, England, on January 22, for New-York, was taken in tow on February 11 by the steamer Boyne, in latitude 42°, longitude 49°, but the line parted and the Boyne left the Gardenia on the 12th.

WAS GORTSCHAKOFF POISONED ? BADEN-BADEN, March 12 .- Owing to the sus picion that poison had been administered to him, the body of Prince Gortschakoff will be subjected to an autopsy, and a judicial inquiry will be instituted. The remains will be placed in the Greek Chapel, where they will lie in state, awaiting their

RESULTS OF THE DISORDER IN PARIS. LONDON, March 12.-Intelligence from Paris states that the emeute there is due to the fact that 60,000 persons are out of employment. The Times's pondent at Paris says for the past few days many foreigners have kept away from that city owing to its unsettled condition. There are now at Rome many Americans who were about to start for Paris when the demonstration began and who have consequently postponed their visit.

Pakis, March 12.—The total number of arrests vesterday was eighty-four. Thirteen of the prisoners were sentenced to-day, their punishment varying from a line of 16 francs to four months' impris-

BALLOTING FOR GAMBETTA'S SUCCESSOR. Paris, March 12.-An election for a member of the Chamber of Deputies to fill the vacancy in Twentierh, or Belleville, Arrondissement, caused by the death of M. Gambetta, took place yesterday. M. Sigismond Lacrorx, Radical, received 3.474 voies; M. Netevier, Opportunist, 2,042; M. de May, Collectivist, 1,178, and M. Jules Guesde, Anarchist, 376. A second ballot will have to be taken, as M. Lacroix did not receive the requisite number of votes to secure his election.

ANARCHISTS ARRESTED IN SPAIN.

MADRID, March 12 .- The total number of perons arrested in Andalusia for complicity in the Anarchist movement is 1,200. Of this number 300 are charged with murders, agrarian outrages, and with being abetters of the "Black Hand" society. Sixty of the prisoners have confessed their complic-ity in four murders.

THE OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE BOAT-RACE. LONDON, March 12 .- The betting on the Oxford-Cambridge boat-race, which takes place on Thursday next, which at first was in favor of Oxford. was to-day seven to four on the Cambridge crew. owing to the better condition of the latter. This evening the betting is three to one on the Cambridge crew,

In the race to be rowed next Thursday the Oxford rew, winners last year, will have five of their last year's men in the boat, one being the coxswain, and the Cambridge crew will have four, one also being the coxswain. The two crews have been practising in their boats for some time, and at the last advices the Oxford men were at Maldenbead and the Cambridge oarsmen at Ely where on February 26 the composition of the two crews

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in the Cambridge boat, M. ore, Atkin, Fairbairn and Hunt. Of the thirty-cight races that have been rowed by crews fram the two universities Oxford has wen twenty-ENGLAND AND THE TRANSVAAL LONDON, March 12 .- The Daily News states that the Cabinet Council on Saturday was chiefly occupied with a discussion of affairs in the Transvaal. It is believed that the Government are determined to exert their influence to protect the natives against the injustice and oppression of the Boers.

STATEMENTS IN THE COMMONS. LONDON, March 12 .- In the House of Commons this afternoon Mr. Gladstone stated that Earl Spencer had retired from the office of Lord President of the Council. Mr. Gladstone said that he would propose that the House adjourn from the 20th mst. to the 29th mst, for the Easter holiday

Lord Edmund Fitzmaarice, Under Foreign Secretary, stated that the sloop Dryad was now at Famatave, Madagascar.

TREATIES OF COMMERCE WITH TURKEY. CONSTANTINOPLE, March 12.-The Porte to-day informed the United States Minister and other foreign representatives that the treaties of commerce will expire on March 12, 1884. It is believed that there will be no difficulty in concluding new treaties, involving increased import duties of from

THE SPANISH BUDGET.

the budget for 1883 1884. The revenue estimates amount to \$160.475,375, and the expenditures to \$160.328,075. The extraor in ary budget as in at a the revenue at \$7,386,210, and the expenditures at \$6,065,475.

GENERAL ORD'S GRANDSON CHRISTENED. MONTEREY, Mex., March 11 .- The "International Baby," the son of General Trevino and his wife, who is the daughter of General Ord, was christened this evening by Mgr. Montes de Oca, Bishop of Nuevo Leon, receiving his father's name, Geronimo. General Diaz, ex-President of Mexico, and his wife were godfather and god-mother. This honor shown General Treviño is beheved to have a very important political bearing. It is understood that General Trevino has onsented not to oppose the candidacy of General Diaz for the Presidency in 1884, with the condition that for the Presidency in 1884, with the condition that General Diazahall turn over the Presidency to General Trevino when his term expires in 1889. It is believed that this plan will be carried out. By assuring the succession to biaz and Trevino, both of whom hold theral views and are especially well-disposed toward Americans, the complete development of Mexico is well assured. Long before they are out of office the two lines of American railway running north and south, and, probably the east and west lines also, will be completed.

WIGGINS SATISFIED WITH HIS STORM.

OTTAWA, March 12.-Professor Wiggins today asserts that his prophecy has been literally fulfilled. as the highest tidal wave ever known has been reported at Halifax, and telegrams he received from different points indicate a severe tempest. He says that he has always entertained the greatest anxiety for the safety of the people on the shores of the Bay of Bengal and Gulf of Mexico. In the former the major tidal wave, of which the miner one on the Atlantic coast was a reflection must have occurred on the afternoon of the 10th, London time, hundreds of thousands of persons perishing. He characterized this storm as the greatest that could possibly occur on this planet, and the greatness of its extent was the only hope of safety in any particular quarter. He makes a sly hit at the Canadian and United quarter. He makes a siy hit at the Canadian and United States authorities for not holsting their storm signals until after the storm was actually heating upon the coatheatt. Some people, he said, expected an impossible storm yesterday, but he had repeatedly said that his object in making the prediction was for the safety of mariners. People, however, liked to be frightened and clung to their own interpretation in preference to his. MONTREAL. March 12.—The river here continues to rise gradually and a flood is now certain. Leading sci-entists say that the weather has not been by any means as boisterous as during previous years. WINGHAM, Ont., March 12.—The most severe wind-storm of the season passed over this section Susday morring, Several barns were unroofed. The snow has rendered the roads impassable and all the railroads are

NEWS FROM THE DOMINION.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 12.—The steamer dinia cleared for sea to-day, to repair the French cable. MONTREAL, March 12.-Madame Cuthbert has entered a suit against her relative, O. Cuthbert, M. P., for 000 dower in her late husband's estate, which the de-fendant inherited here.

AFFAIRS IN THE WEST INDIES.

HAVANA, March 12 .- The rules lately enforced by the American Consulate in this city, which obliged all shippers of merchandise to the United States to swear in person to the correctness of their involces, have been modified and the Consul collects \$4 25 in gold for each power of attorney executed.

An explosion occurred upon the plantation Mercedes at Sabanilla de Guarcivas, causing the death of six negroes and one Chinamen, and the wounding of six negroes and four Chinamen. The engineer also died from the terrible wounds he received. The sugar-boiling house is a heap of ruins.

The daily paper, the Diario de la Marina, issued in this city, has entered into a contract with the New-York Associated Press for the daily receipt of news from all parts of the world. The building of the Diario de la Marina is lighted by electricity.

The tobacco market remains quiet. A few lots of Vuelta Abajo fillers suitable for the United States sold at from \$60 to \$65 a quintal, and several lots of Remedios fillers sold at \$45 to \$50 a quintal. The new crop, according to the latest estimates of growers and dealers, offers the following prospects: in the Vuelta Abajo on the whole the crop will be short, the drouth having, it is said, done much damage. In the Partidos districts the results will be much more favorable, and in the neighborhood of

Remedios less rainy weather would, to all appearance, have been desirable.

The chess player Mr. Steinitz is playing every afternoon and evening at the Union Club in this city, with those who wish to measure their strength with his. Thus far he has maintained his supremacy.

Yesterday at noon the roof of the northwestern wing of the Payret Theatre crashed through the entressol into a coffee-house below. It is thought that most of the ten persons who were in the coffee-house escaped. Among the dead aiready taken from the ruins is Enrique Sagastizabal, co-proprietor of the theatre. Several iamilies living in the entressol escaped miraculously, taking refuse on the balconies.

Advices from 8t. Thomas state that the huil of a large wreek, name and nationality unknown, loaded with pine wood, has drifted ashore at Boca de Nagua, Samana Bay.

FOREIGN NOTES. Paris, March 12.—The Chamber of Deputies will ad-our on Saturday for a mouth. 8t. Petrassuro. March 12.—Vera Philippova, an important Niciliat, has been arrested.

London, March 12.—The White Star Line steamer

Doric, a sister saip to the louic of the same line, was launched at Belfast on Saturday. LONDON, March 12.-A dispatch to the Central News Agency from Zanzibar reports that a British cruiser has gone to Madagasear and that another will follow her.

LONDON, March 12.—A new trial in the breach of promise case of Miss Hyland against Mr. Biggar, M. P., which was decided in favor of Miss Hyland, has been

LONDON, March 12 .- At a meeting of twenty-one delegales representing the South Yorkshire and Lancashire fron trades it was resolved to restrict the output of fin-

LONDON, March 12.-The British ship Canon Harrison, Captain Ross, from Calcutta September 11 for Liverpool, was abandoned on February 3. Her crew has been landed at Liverpool.

BERLIN, March 12 .- The National Gazette says the regionation of Admiral von Stosch, Chief of the Ministry of Marine, has been in the hands of the Emperor for a week. It is not known whether a decision has yet been

CORRUPT TRAFFIC IN DEAD BO DIES. INVITELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

Boston, March 12 .- In his message to the Legislature Governor Butler called attention to the management of the Towkesbury Almshouse and severely consured the course alleged to have been pursued by Mr. Marsh and his family. Mr. Marsh has been in the institution for twenty-five years. One of his sons is assistant superintendent, another is clerk, and his wife is the matron; in fact it is a Marsh institution. For the past five or six years infants have not been retained in this institution, but have been farmed out. While they were cared for it the institution, however, Governor Butler charges that from 150 to 250 infant corpose were annually sold as merchapolise to a single medical institution in the State for from \$3 to \$5 cach. It was also charged that the bodies of adult paupers were sold secretly and not in accordance with the law. A representative of The Journal recently visited the Almshouse to make an investigation and to see what defence Mr. Marsh would make against Governor Butler's charges. It appears that there are in the State four medical institutions atthetized by law to receive subjects from the Almshouse. During the past ten years the number of deaths was 2,766. Of this number only 585 of the pauper dead were delivered to those institutions. The Superintendent has no record of what became of the other bodies. He says that they were buried in pauper graves. He admits that if he had sent all the subjects to the medical institutions he could not then have supplied the demand. In view of this the question is naturally raised, why did he bury them when science demanded them and the laws allo well them to be used for scientific purposes I The inference is tint, as Governor Butler says, the Superintendent has sold many of these bodies for his own benefit, inasmuch as no record of the sale or the burial is kept. have been farmed out. While they were eared for in the

THE BOARDING-HOUSE DISASTER IN DA

DEADWOOD, Dak., March 12 .- The men who scaped during the burning of the Brownsville boarding house vesterday give the following story: They were I o'clock on Sunday morning. The room was filled with smoke from below and the fire was leaping up around smoke from below and the fire was leaping up around the kitchen stova pipe. The men were dazed, but four of them west down the tadder from the loft and escaped with severe injuries. Three escaped unburt through a small sliding window leading to the roof of an adjoining building. There were eighteen persons in the house, eleven of whom perished, two halles being burned to ashes. The men had saved up their earnings, and it is supposed they lost their lives in trying to get their money and valuables out of their trunks. The building was constructed of pitch pine and was entirely consumed in thirty minutes after the discovery of the fire.

FILING PAPERS IN A PATENT SUIT.

HARTFORD, March 12. - The Yale Lock Manufacturing Company, of Stamford, to-day filed in the MADRID, March 12 .- In the Chamber of United States Caronit Court in this city the papers in a Deputies to-day, Seflor Cuesta, Minister of Finance, read | suit agains: the post-waster at Waterbury, Conn., and | per of the building in which the Post-office is all unied, for the use of the Scoville lock boxes. It is match, for the use of the Scovine lock Dotes. It is claimed that these boxes are infringements on a patent belonging to the Yale Lock Company. The recent decision of Jurge Shipuma was not a head adjudication as to these patents, but was made on a motion to punish the Scoville Company for contempt in violating previous injunctions. It is now proposed to bring the matter fully before the Court for fluid decision.

JAMES TIMLIN PRONOUNCED INSANE.

NEW-HAVEN, Conn., March 12 .- James Timin, who was supposed to have been rendered insanc from the effects of a bullet fired, as alleged, into his skull by one Cowles, was regently declared sane by Dr. Moses nounced insane by Dr. Bason, and was ordered to be removed to the almshouse from the jail, where he has removed to the almahouse from the jail, where he has been sent for a breach of the peace. The jail authority refused to to deliver him, alleging that the town autho working calmiy in the came shop of the jail.

INCREASING A COLLEGE ENDOWMENT

WINCHESTER, Va., March 12 .- At the meeting of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Epis sopal Church, which closed to day, President McCauley of Dickinson College, stated that that institution would celebrate its centennial this year. It was proposed to increase its endowment fund \$150,000, one-third of which would be for building purposes. Of this amount \$41,000 had arready been raised, of which the Rev. D. H. Carroll, of Baitimore, had given \$10,000.

A RUNNING FIGHT WITH ROBBERS.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 12.-Dispatches received here state that there was a running fight on Sunday, near Gosnen, Washington County, between pur suing efficers and the men who attempted to rob a Little Rock and Fort Smith Railway train. Many shots were exchanged, and one robber was wounded, but he man-aged to escape. At last accounts the officers were in hot pursuit near the Missouri line.

REDUCING THE PRICE OF TOBACCO.

St. Louis, March 12.-The St. Louis Tobacco Manufacturing Company has given notice to the trade that it will reduce the price of tobacco on May 1, 8 cents a peand, the full amount of the tax imposed by the new tax and tariff law. There is great opposition shown, however, to the demand for a reduction of \$3 a thousand in the price of chars.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN MAINE.

Belfast, Me., March 12 .- George Johnson, the Taxpayers' candidate, has been re-elected Mayor.

Bangon, Me., March 12.—There was no choice for Mayor at the election to-day. The Republicaus have cleeted the other officers.

BibbEroub, Me., March 12.—The Democrats have elected Edward Staples Major and carried the city.

ATTEMPT TO ROB A TREASURERS OFFICE. BRADFORD, Penn., March 12 .- The County Treasurer's office at Smethport was broken into Saturday night, and the vanit and safe doors were blown open

There was no money in the safe, and the burglars got THE LIQUOR QUESTION IN OHIO.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 12.-Senator Pond to-day introduced a bill imposing a tax on the liquor traffic, with the bond feature left out, the tax to be uniform at \$2.50.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES-BY TELEGRAPH

MINERS INJURED BY AN EXPLOSION.
SHENANDOAH, Penn., March 12.—Lewis Kurtz and Henry Belsel were badly nursed, the former perhaps fatally, by an explosion of gas in the William Penn mine this attenuous.

SENTENCED FOR PASSING COUNTERFEIT TRADE BALTIMORE, March 12.—in the United States District Court this morning William Hill and John Morran were each sentenced to pay a fine of yio'd and costs and to imprisonment for eighteen months for passing counterfeit to the individual counterfeit. A MURDERER SENTENCED.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 12,-Folix Wilson (colored), who was convicted at the present term of the Superior Court for the murder of Mose thoudeman colored) in this city last May, was sentenced to-day by Judge McRae to be hanged on April 20.

AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

NEIL GILMOUR'S SUCCESSOR. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

ALBANY, March 12 .- The office of Superintendent of Public Instruction will be filled by the Legislature on Wednesday. To-night an active search votes of members is in progress. There several candidates. The Republican members will unquestionably give their complimentary votes to Neil Gilmour, the present Republican superintendent, William B. Ruggles, of Bath, Steuben County, is the most prominent of the Democratic candidates. As Assemblyman in 1876 and 1877 and as Deputy Attorney-General in 1878, 1879, 1880 and 1881, he became well acquainted h all the leading Democratic politicians the State. Many of them now give of the State. Many of them now give him their support. On the first ballot he will probably lead the other candidates, and may have a majority over all. James Emerson, of New-York, is another prominent candidate. He will have the earnest support of the Democration members from New-York and Brooklyn. Abrain Weaver, of Utica, a former superintendent, is also a candidate, although with little support. Professor Dunden, of the Normal College of New-York, has some support. John B. Reilly, of Platisburg, will have the support of members from the Northern part of the State. Everett Danforth, of Elmira, has the support of members alone the southern tier of counties. Andrew McMillan, of Utica, has the carnest support of ex-Goveron Horatio Seymour and all the Assemblymen in Oneida County and the surrounding counties. Messre, Ruggles, Morrison, and McMillan are the most formidable candidates, although the first-named has the best chance of success owing to the fact that his support, is scattered over the State.

GENERAL LEGISLATIVE TOPICS.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] ALBANY, March 12 .- The Senate debated with great spirit to-night Senator Koch's bill transfer-ring to the sheriff of New-York the authority to sell real estate under Court decrees. The proposed law reads as

county of New-York, under the decree or judgment of any Court, shall be made by the Sheriff, except where all the parties to a suit agree upon a ref-eree to be appointed by the Court for that purpose, by such judgment or decree in which case the sale shall be made by such referce.

Senator H. A. Nelson charged that the bill would in-

crease the fees of the Sheriff to the amount of \$60,000 yearly. Senators Grady and Koch were greatly moved bill was a good one, that referees were avaricious, and that the Sher if would conduct the sales more economi

cally. The bill was finally ordered to a third reading. Assemblyman Quinn, of New-York, succeeded in passing a bill in the Assembly which amends the cattle-driving act as follows: "It shall be lawful to drive cattle enth-ave., and through such other streets as lead directly to the place where such business is carried on, south of Fortleth st., under such restrictions as to numbers as the Board of Health may prescribe, from 12 o'clock at midnight until 4 a. m., and sheep until 12 m."

Assemblyman Mullaney introduced a bill providing for the election of Police Justices in New-York in November next to serve for ten years, at \$6,000 yearly salary. By the bill the terms of olice of the present Police Justices are made to exide on December 31, 1883. Senator Graly also had a bill extending the terms of the well-beloved Aldermen of New-York from one year to two years.

years.
The Senate ordered to a third reading the bill to pension the school-reachers of New-York Governor Cleveland this afternoon signed the bill pro-hibiting he manufacture of cigars in tenement-nouses in New-York City.

LEGISLATION IN NEW-JERSEY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] TRENTON, N. J., March 12.-The Legislaare reassembled this evening. The Assembly defeated Mr. Vall's proposed constitutional amendment refusing the benefits of facure legislation to corporations possess ing special contracts. It had already passed the Senate and was regarded as the most practical of the anti-monopoly measures. Yet, because of prejudice, it was stracked by several of the loudest professional advo-

cates of railroad taxation. The Governor sout in his second veto of this session refusing consent on the ground of economy to a hill ap propriating \$15,000 for the publication of records of the

early history of the State. The ball directing that telephene and telegraph wires shall be put underground has been tabled in the House and will prohibit you killed. The House passed the Senate bill prohibit y the sale of cigareties to minors.

The charge against Justice Scott Johnston, of Warren County, of malfensance in office were referred to the Judichary Committee of the House.

The Senate bill sufficiently incorporated towns, having power to liceuse and regulate inus and taverns, to impose a tax or liceuse for all licenses granted by them for purposes of revenue was passed by the House.

The Governor has nominated Artique H. Ogilby, of New Tirmswick, as Riparlan Commissioner, in place of the late Thomas Mokeen. Mr. Ogilby is a personal iriend of the Governor. As he is said to possess little qualification for this important place the nomination is coully received.

THE FIRE RECORD.

A PANIC CAUSED BY TWO FIRES.

HARRISBURG, Penn., March 12. - A large barn at Middletown, filled with tobacco, and belonging to Rife Brothers, caught fire this merning from a spack from the Conewago furnace and was totally destroyed. sparks from the barn were borne by the high wind all over the town, and for a time the citizens were fighting fire on the roofs of a number of houses. A large dwelling nonec, owned by Raymond & Campbell, and occupied by the families of Feters and Fraley, took fire from a spark and was burned to the ground. The contents were saved. An engine and hose-cort were sent from this city, bu arrived too late to be of service. A number of building were in great danger, and for a time there was a panin in the town. The total loss has not yet been estimated

A FLOURING MILL AND GRAIN BURNED. ROBINSON, Ill., March 11 .- A fire early this erning destroyed Collins & Kirk's flouring mill, to gether with 10,000 bushels of grain. Three ears loaded with wheat, which were standing on the track beside the mill, were also consumed. Loss, \$20,000; insurance

KILLED IN CROSSING A RAILROAD.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., March 12 .- A west-bound passenger train on the Indiana, Bloomington and Western Railroad to-day ran into the Alamo hack, which was crossing the track two miles west of this place. Joseph Green, the driver, and Milton Rusk and Elizabeth Clark, passengers, were killed in-stantly. The back was demoished and the horses were killed.

CHARGING HIMSELF WITH MURDER. THE STORY OF A PASSENGER FROM QUEENSTOWN.

Boston, Mass., March 12.-Patrick Levy, a passenger on the steamer Samaria, was arrested on the arrival of the steamer here to-day, on a charge of killing Patrick Hurley, a farmer in Mullingar, Ireland. Imme diately after leaving Queenslown Levy came to diately after leaving Queensiown Levy came to the offleers of the Samaria and confessed to having committed the murder two years ago, saying that Harley had bired a farm over the head of an evicted tenant and that he had been induced by the payment of £20 (by whom he would not state) to kill him. Levy said he had never been suspected of the marder, and that he left Ireland to seek employment in this country, his destination being No. 24 East Tweety-fra*-st., New-York, where his anut, Mrs. Patrick Spaulding, resides. To-day Levy denied the £20 story and said he committed the deed in a drunken quarrel. The British Consul, Mr. Henderson, advised that the man should be allowed to proceed to his destination in New-York, but that he be kent under surveillance until advices from England have been received. He was accordingly released from custody. The general opinion of those who have taiked with him is that he is weak-minded.

A DISPUTE OVER VALUABLE OYSTER GROUNDS.

NEW-HAVEN, Conn., March 12 .- The Shellfish Commissioners to-day refused a further continua-tion of the application of E. C. Ludington to the valuable oyster grounds occupied in this harbor by H. C. Rowe. The application was then withdrawn, leaving Rowe in possession of the grounds.

JUDGE MORRISON ILL.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 12 .- Chief-Justice Morrison had a stroke of paralysis this morning, but he is reported better this evening, and serious results are A DE ISION AGAINST CHICAGO "BUCKET SHOPS.

Is reported better this evening, and serious results are not probable.

PROBABLE MURDER AND SUICIDE.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—This morning John S. Syren shot his brother's wife, Lizzie Syren, in the breast, and then shot himself through the temple. The husband of the injured woman keeps a bakery. While he was out serving bread, John Morrow, a neighbor, hearing quarrelling and two pistol shots in a rear room, ran back and found Mrs. Syren wounded in the breast. A

struggle ensued between the two men, during which Morrow wrenched the pistol from Syren's hand. The latter then fied to the yard, and, drawing another pistol, shot himself in the temple. The dectors say that both the man and the woman will die. Syren, who came from Germany about a year ago, is believed to be demented.

THE DUKES-NUTT MURDER TRIAL.

Uniontown, Penn., March 12 .- F. C. Breckoridge was on the witness-stand all the morning in the Dukes-Nutt murder trial. The point of his testimony was that when Nutt was shot by Dukes he was standing with his right arm resting on the mantle and his left arm hanging by his side. He was exhausted by the struggle with Dukes, which was just over, and was breathing

with Dukes, which was just over, and was breathing heavily, and was making no movement of any kind. The prosecution will endeavor to show that Dukes opened up the correspondence wifn Captain Nutt, and, after writing scandalous letters, invited Nutt to come to his room for a posecable settlement and then murdered him. The defence is making a strong effort to keep out anything bearing on the contents of the letters, stating that their admission was irrelevant.

This afternoon James I. Feather testified that after Dukes and Nutt had been separated be pushed Dukes into one corner. Dukes theu said: "He came in here to whip me and I'll shoot him." Feather replied: "Ho can't whip you now"; but Dukes drew his revolver and fired across the room at Nutt, killing him. Nutt was making no effort to draw a weapon. He was standing at rest with his right arm on the mantel. Lewis Williams, who also witnessed the shooting, corroborated the main points of Feather's testimony. On cross-examination both witnesses became considerably confused, the attorney for the defence showing that their testimony was in some of its features in conflict with statements they had made before the oroner when the inquest was held.

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THE FLOODS IN THE WEST.

HELENA, Ark., March 12 .- There was another decline of an inch last night, making a total of three inches since the decline set in. There are between 500 and 700 negro refugees wholly unprovided for and powerless to help themselves. The levees around Helena

Were never more seenre. MEMPHIS, March 12 .- The water has fallen nine inches since the decline set in. Two negroes named Thomas Brown and Aaron Smith were drowned last week back of Austiu, Miss., by the capstring of their dug-out. The brack in the Totten levee, turry-five miles below Friar's Point, flooded all the country in the rear as far down as Australia. Planters within the district do not fear an overflow. Two men were drowned Fri-day, ten miles north of Marlon, Ark.

DISASTERS AT SEA.

New-Bedford, Mass., March 12 .- The chooner Robert Foster, Captain Leighton, from Phil adelphia for Wareham with corn, went ashore on the Hen and Chickens, off Westport, this morning. The members of the crew, who were frostbitten, landed at Misharm Peint. The captain was sick, and the mate had been burt by the boom, but, it is thought, not seriously. The schooner is on her beam ends. A tug has gone to her assistance.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., March 10 .- The schooner G. M. Porter had her mainmast carried away in this harbor during the heavy easterly blow of to-day. SEA BRIGHT, N. J. March 12.—The pilot-boat Ariel

Patterson No. 12, which was sunk off Sea Bright last week by being run into by the steamer Commonwealth, is breaking up.

RUMORED LEASE OF A NARROW GAUGE LINE

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.-It is rumored here and generally believed that the Central Railroad of New-Jersey is to lease the Philadelphia and Atlantic Narrow Gauge Road, making connection with it at Atco by way of New-Jersey Southern road. The management of this end of the road, it is said, will be given to the Philadelphia and Reading Company. The narrow gauge is now operated by trustees. Some of the heavy stockholders in the road were seen to-night, but they declined to deay or affirm the story.

MURDERED BY TWO BROTHERS.

PITTSBURG, Penn., March 12. - Nicholas Kretsch, who was murdered here last night, had attended a christening yesterday at the house of a man named Utler. During the festivities a quarrel occurred in the course of which Kretsch was beaten about the head and stabbed in the eack by two brothers named Withelm. Kretsch finally made his escape and went home, where he was found unconscious about 10 o'clock. He died shortly afterward. The Withelm brothers have been arrested.

OFFERS TO SETTLE WITH CREDITORS.

CHICAGO, March 12.-George P. Taylor, paper dealer, who failed some time since, has offered his creditors 40 per cent, all payable within a year. A comnittee was appointed to examine his books, and will report to-morrow. Some days ago Allen & Co., grocers, off-red to settle with their creditors at 50 percent. The committee appointed to examine the complany's books recommended to a meeting of creditors that 60 per cent would be accepted. The firm's attorney, who was present, was not authorized to say his clients would pay that amount, and the meeting adjourned without reaching definite action.

KILLING HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW.

CINCINNATI, March 12 .- A dispatch to The commercial-Gazette from London, Ohio, says that John G. Trucy on S. tu. day murdered his brother in-law, David Gillenwalter, by cutting his throat with an axe. Tracy, with his wife and two children, had come from Logan County on a visit to Gillenwalter. The two men went into the woods on Saturriay alternoon to cut wood and there got into a triding dispute, which ended in merder. The scene of the crime was twelve inlies south of here. Trucy has been arrested.

REUNITING CUT TELEGRAPH WIRES,

CHICAGO, March 12 .- An agreement has been entered into between the city and the Mutual Union Telegraph Company under which the latter will be permitted to reunite its severed wires. The agreement stipulates that the Mayor shail have the right, at his option, to cut them again; that the company shair apply to the City Council for an extension of its privi-leges, and shall proceed to gither its wires into cables and string them on short poles pending preparations to put them underground.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST A MINISTER.

SCRANTON, Penn., March 12 .- The pastoral clations of the Rev. Mr. Borthwick with the Christian Church at Madisonville, fifteen miles from this city, have been severed, because of improper proposals, it is alleged, to married ladies of the congregation. Elder Borthwick took charge of the church last April. The case will be referred to a meeting of the ministers of the denomination for action.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

NOMINATED FOR MAYOR OF COLUMBUS. COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 12.—The Republicans are nominated General C. C. Wolcout for Mayor, WORK RESUMED IN A ROLLING MILL.

ALLENTOWN, Penn., March 12.—The Allentown tolling Mill Company resumed work in their Lenigh Mill to lay, giving employment to 400 men.

THE AMERICAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.

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St. Louis, March 12.—The American Baseball
Association meeting to-day was attended by representatives
of the eight clubs. A resolution in favor of a conference
committee was adopted by a maximous voto.

THE CHICAGO BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.
CHICAGO, March 12.—In the afternoon billiard
game to day, Waliace scored 500 points and Maggioli 399,
There wise 35 innings. Best runs—Maggiol 50; Waliace 47.

Philadelphia, March 12.—Dr. Wallace 47.
ON TRIAL FOR DESECUATION OF GRAVES.
PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Dr. William 8.
Porbes, demonstrator of anatomy in Jefferson Medical College, who is charged with compilety in the desecration of graves in Lebanon C meters several months ago, was placed on trial in the Court of Quarter Sessions to-day.

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THE DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL OPEN,
BORDENTOWN, N. J., March 12.—The Delaware
An instrain Canal oncined here this morning for navigation,
A number of vessels arrived tast night from Philadeiph a and
Laitimore. Among the first to enter the locks was the
neaner Uncle Krapp, loaded with plung and bound for New.

FIVE MEN HELD FOR PERFURY. PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 12.—ATTEMBURY,
Cheney Kilburn, tieury S. Hale, Warren Hale, and J.Warren
Haie, officers of the Hale & Kilburn Anuntacturing Company, were held to \$000 cach to-day by Magistrate Lacinor on
a charge of perjury, brought by E. E. Everitt, in awearing in
November, 1878, thus a certain patent had not been assaciated
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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

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GOVERNMENT AND GENERAL TOPICS. OPERATION OF THE TARIFF LAW-NEW HAMPSHIRE

AND OHIO POLITICS-THE CHARGES AGAINST GENERAL HAZIN-A SINGULAR ORDER BY THE

It has been discovered that section 7 of the new Tariff act goes into effect immediately, and instructions to that effect will be sent out from the Treasury Department. The Secretary of the Navy states that while he is not a candidate for the Senate from New-Hampshire, he is not committed to the support of any one. A TRIBUNE correspondent furnishes the views of ex-Speaker Keifer and ex-Representative Butterworth on the Ohio political outlook. It is again stated that a court of inquiry respecting the management of the Signal Bureau will be ordered. A story is told to the effect that Mr. Keifer ordered Mr. Dawson to divide his salary with Mr. Tyson, the stenographer whom he removed to make place for his own nephew.

THE NEW TARIFF ACT. AN IMPORTANT SECTION THAT GOES INTO IMME-DIATE EFFECT. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

WASHINGTON, March 12 .- Section 7 of the new Tariff law repeals all duties on packages, charges, inland transportation and commissions. This repeal affects all importations under ad valorem rates of duty. This change was recommended by the Tariff Commissioners, who described it as "perhaps the most important and radical change recommended." The Commission estimated that on some of the heavier and more bulky articles importedchina and earthenware, for example—the reduction thus effected would amount to one-fourth the whole

Late on Saturday some of the officials engaged in studying the new law, preparatory to the issuing of instructions to customs officers, thought they discovered that while the new rates of duty will not become applicable until July 1, the section beforementioned went into effect immediately upon the mentioned went into effect immediately upon the approval of the act. This opinion was confirmed upon more thorough examination to-day, and instructions will be issued accordingly. The practical effect, of course, will be that the duty on many articles imported between March 3 and July 1 will be considerably less than on the same articles imported on and after the later date. Last year, the importations of china, earthenware, etc., amounted in value to nearly \$7,000,000, and the duty paid was about \$3,000,000. Upon the same articles imported before July 1 next, the duty would be some \$300,000 less, according to the estimate of the Tarif Commission. It is, therefore, probable that the importations of china and earthenware will be unusually heavy between this and July 1, when the higher rates will take effect.

INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

Washington, March 12 .- The Treasury Department to-day mailed copies of the new Tariff act to all Collectors of Customs, together with instructions that sections 7 and 9 of that act go into effect at once and apply to all goods in bonded wars houses as well as to goods imported after the date of the passage of the act. Section 7 repeals duties on charges heretofore aided in ascertaining the dutiable value of merchandise for the purpose of the assessment of duries. This action will cause a considerable

duties. This action will cause a considerable reduction in the amount of duties collected, which reduction is estimated by some at 5 per cent of the entire amount collected.

Section 9 changes the manner of ascortaining the value of merchandiae consigned by manufacturers in foreign countries to agents in the United States, and for which there is no foreign market value, for the reason that the goods are manufactured for sale in the United States only. The law authorizes the appraising officer to ascertain the cost and value of the material composing tamerchandise at the time and place of manufacture, together with the expense of manufacturing, preparing and putting up the merchandise for shipment, and makes the value so ascertained a basis for the assessment of duties.

THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE SENATORSHIP.

A CORRECTED STATEMENT OF MR. CHANDLER'S

ATTITUDE. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

WASHINGTON, March 12 .- The statement credited to Secretary Chandler m a TRIBUNE dispatch this morning regarding his position in the Senstorial contest in New-Hampshire was inaccurate in one important particular-that the Secretary had authorized the announcement that he was in favor of Senator Rollins's re-election. The statement came from a friend of Senator Rollins, but in such a way as to seem conclusive. There appears to be no reason, however, to suppose that there was

any intentional misrepresentation. Mr. Chandler said this evening: "It is true that I am not a candidate for United States Senator, nor seeking the office in any way, directly or indirectly. The post to which I am assigned at the head of the Navy Department is an important and honorable one, which ought to satisfy the desires of any reasonable man, and the Republicans of New-Hampshire, who were gratified at my selection by President Arthur, do not expect me to strive to leave it for the Senatorship, and I am not hoping or labering to do so. On the other hand, I am not taking pains, as some dispatches would imply, to thrust away from me such a high honor; and especialty am I not committed in favor of, nor to aid in the election of. Senator Rollins or any other particular per-

son as Senator. "The true interest of the Republican party in Ne w Hampshire and its success in 1584 will, in my judgement, be premoted by the election of only one Senator at the coming session, without reopening the controversy which the precedents made by the Legislatures of 1878 and 1881 have wisely settled; and by the election by a free and uncommitted Legislature of the Sena-tor of its deliberate choice, whether it be Rollins, Marston, Stevens, Harriman, Briggs, Cheney or any Marston, Stevens, Harriman, Briggs, Cheney or any other Republican whom its members may prefer. My relations with Senator Rollins are of the most friendly character, but I am committed by my actand declarations in the Legislature of 1881 to fair, play in the coming Senatorial context, and I do not refrain from becoming a candidate myself in order to become the advocate of Senator Rollins or any other candidate."

THE OHIO POLITICAL OUTLOOK VIEWS OF KEIFER AND BUTTERWORTH. (BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

WASHINGTON, March 12 .- General Keifer has returned from a short visit to Ohio and was found by a TRIBUNE correspondent to-day in the Speaker's room at the Capitol. Assisted by his nephew, who was recently appointed an official stenographer, he was engaged in disposing of correspondence which had accumulated in the last few days. Respecting the political ou: look in Ohio, General Keifer said ? "The action of the Legislature will have much to do with shaping the campaign. As soon as I can get time I shall turn my attention to political affairs in the State, and then I intend to have something to

say and do about them." General Keifer having remarked that he had considerable business to arrange in the Departments and with the President, the correspondent asked if any of the retiring Ohio Representatives are to receive Federal appoint-"As to that I cannot say," was the reply. "I understand that Mr. Neal would accept an appointment as one of the Justices of the Supreme

pointment as one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the District, in case of a vacancy. I believe there is some talk about the retirement of one of the Justices—I do not remember which one."

"Will a gentleman named Butterworth be the Republican candidate for Governor of Ohio this year?" asked a Tribune correspondent of exterpresentative Butterworth to-day.

"I cannot tell you. When the Republican convention assembles it will look the situation over carefully and will nominate the man who it is believed will under all the circumstances prove to be the strongest candidate. We have no factions in Ohio, and if a man should set himself up to be a Boss' we would quietly behead him. Our prospects in the coming campaign will depend largely upon the action of the Legislature. If that body shall not commit the blunder of thinking it can make all men perfectly just and holy by a legisla-